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Title: Captain's Log 5

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After the search party returns...

Further inspection of the Ararat shows a massive hull breach and the majority of the keel buried into the sand. Even if there was some hope of rescue, the Ararat is sadly lost. This is a hostile environment no doubt. A dozen crew have since gone missing since I and the search party have returned. Men report bizarre sounds coming from beneath the sand...and the crack of flesh against the Ararat's hull.

As far as I can tell

there is no means of leaving our unknown tomb. There appears to be some type of water feature just to the South of the Wreck site. I made an attempt to scale the seamount and get atop this feature, but my efforts proved fruitless. Interestingly enough, however, as I recovered from a short fall from the seamount my hand found a most peculiar gem. I quickly pocketed the crystal, knowing full well how the men can get when there may be treasure at stake. When I returned to my quarters I examined this mysterious jewel. It appears to be a multifaceted crystal of

unknown origin. It is completely transparent save for a small opacity within the center. Until I can learn more of its nature I shall keep this find to myself.